

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-5, 7-8, 10-13, 15-16, 18, 20 and 22 are pending. By this Amendment, claim 1 is amended and claims 21 and 23 are canceled.

Applicant notes with appreciation the allowance of claims 10-13, 15, 16 and 18, and the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 2-5, 8, 21 and 23.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the features of former claim 21, which was indicated to be allowable.<sup>1</sup> Thus, the rejection of claim 1 is moot. Claims 7, 20 and 22, which are the only other rejected claims, depend from claim 1, and are allowable at least for their dependence on an allowable base claim. Prompt allowance is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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<sup>1</sup> Item 3 of the Office Action refers to "the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph," but the Office Action contains no such rejection.